The Field Museum

Natural News

Weekly Staff Newsletter
September 8, 2000

Two boys born—neither of them named Sue!

Melissa Hilton gave birth to a son last Friday, September 1. Alexander Joseph weighed 7 pounds and 15 ounces.

Amy Louis also gave birth to a boy (on Labor Day—how appropriate!). Owen weighed 8 pounds and 5 ounces.

Congratulations to mothers and sons from all of us at The Field Museum!

Shipping dock, freight elevator to be off-line

Please plan accordingly

Please be advised that two mornings next week work will be done on the shipping dock and freight elevator that will affect deliveries and access to these areas.

The dates and times are as follows: **Thursday, September 14 and Friday, September 15 from 8:30 a.m. until 10:30 a.m.**

Because of this work we will not be able to accept deliveries during these hours. Please inform your vendors to avoid these times. We will have shipping staff at the entrance of the ramp to accept small deliveries. Other delivery personnel will be queued and will have to wait until the dock re-opens.

Because of this work, staff will not be allowed into this area during these times. Employees that ride their bikes on Thursday and Friday and arrive between 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. will be asked to lock them outside the West Door. Contract personnel will be allowed to enter through the West Door during this time.

We apologize for the inconvenience and appreciate your cooperation. If you have any questions or concerns please contact **Miriam Alleyne** at ext. 7967. Thank you.

Submitted by Jeffrey Hawkins

FIELD NOTES

Week of September 11

Staff/Volunteer Events

Tae Bo Class
- Monday, 5 p.m., Ground Floor

Aerobics Class
- Tuesday, 5 p.m. , Ground Floor
- Thursday, 5 p.m. , Ground Floor

Green Sheet Meeting
- Wednesday, 3 p.m., Special Events

Shipping/freight elevator work
- Thursday and Friday mornings

Public/Campus Events

Star Wars: The Magic of Myth
- Exhibit continues

Americanos
- Exhibit continues

The Natural News is edited by Rodger Patience in the Development Department. Send news items, artwork, and photos to patience@fmnh.org.

The deadline for each week's issue is Wednesday at noon.

DOCKET

28 August – 1 September 2000

Docket met three times this week in order to accommodate the regular flow of information plus special discussions of "inside out" and of space planning.

Diane White

- Attendance dropped off slightly as Chicago returned to school — The Field Museum is still operating at more than double last year's attendance
- Saturday, reputed by Visitor Services to be "a slow day" saw more than 12,000 visit The Field. That day last year we had the Dalai Lama, and this year's attendance was still almost 75% higher.
- *Sue Readers*, which was on Saturday, attracted over 1,000 participants — a huge success.
- *Americanos* is off to a very strong start — 10,000 people in one week.
- Public Services has been undergoing scrutiny by "secret shoppers" who evaluate our customer service. The Field has earned an outstanding 91%!
- An ongoing challenge is to accommodate people in wheelchairs. The number of spots reserved is no longer sufficient, and we will have to determine new ways to make the Museum more accessible.

Gary Feinman

- John Flynn has returned from fieldwork
- The Meteoritical Society, which was founded here at The Field, held their 63rd annual meeting at the Museum and Meenakshi Wadhwa was awarded the Nier Prize for an outstanding meteoriticist younger than thirty-five

Felisia Wesson

- The Governance Committee of the Board is meeting 30 August

Don Cooke

- The Campaign Cabinet of the Board is very motivated
- Institutional Advancement reorganization is almost finished
- Still interviewing for more employees

Fay Levin

- Interviewing candidates for Museum Campus Director
- Museum Campus website will be up soon ,

Cathleen Costello

- Maureen King has moved to Media Relations for the Chicago Board Options Exchange
- Whitney Owens, a former intern, will coordinate all special events around exhibitions
- Planning is underway for technology in public programs and spaces
- Planning has begun to revitalize the permanent exhibitions

Inside Out (presented by Alexander Sherman)

- Inside Out is a strategy that the Board of Trustees approved in September and December, 1999
- The goal is to present Field Museum science so that those outside are excited, engaged, and enriched as those inside

- There are many isolated pieces of Inside Out currently in existence, including the videos beneath the elephants, the McDonald's Prep Lab, emails from the field, the scientific lectures series, Members' Nights, and so on
- One of the key tactics is "critical mass" — to cluster Field Museum scientific and public activity around broad themes, such as Biodiversity and Americas
- In terms of the museum experience, Inside Out implies engaging and involving (not just showing and telling), roadmapping rather than random access, and layered content, so that the material is accessible at many levels and also compelling at many levels

Long Term Space Planning (presented by Jim Croft)

- A cross-departmental team has been exploring the long-term implications of the proposed collections resource facility (CRF) at the southeast corner of the Museum
- The proposals are directional, not detailed
- Ground Floor
    - Keep the temporary exhibitions hall to preserve the possibility of an east entrance, which would be the ideal solution for complete accessibility
    - Consolidate all alcohol storage in the terrace
    - More public elevators
    - Move Egypt up to the main floor, incorporating some of the reptiles and bird habitats and creating space for a combined resource center (Webber, Rice, Harris, etc.)
    - Expanding food service and general seating around Sea Mammals and the Campaign Center
    - Upgrade northwest corner as a conference center
- Main Floor
    - Outdoor programming space on top of CRF
    - Temporary exhibitions center, including Halls 6, 7, 8 and including queuing and ticketing space
    - Americas — Halls 3, 4, 5
    - Butterfly garden on northeast terrace during construction
- Upper Floor
    - Use mezzanine as funnel into galleries, also including seating and inside out elements
    - Renovate Plants of the World as Biodiversity
    - Reopen Geology storage as Earth Sciences
    - Fill in Hall 4 lightwell to accommodate Dinosaur Science; the lightwell can also accommodate Information Services, including the Library
    - Install Asia exhibits in Hall 34
- Third Floor
    - Consolidate Library and reorganize to meet needs of Academic Affairs and Information Services
- Fourth Floor
    - Reorganize to use space more efficiently for Museum Affairs

MUSEUM CAMPUS

Soldier Field Road Gets a Touch of 'Sweetness'
Honorary Street Name for Bears Legend

By Raoul V. Mowatt
Chicago Tribune staff writer

August 30, 2000

Walter Payton will always have a place in the hearts of Chicagoans for his accomplishments on the football field and his charisma and caring off of it.

In his latest honor, the late, legendary running back now has a place in the city's geography dedicated to him as well.

Mayor Richard Daley, Chicago Bears owner Ed McCaskey, several of Payton's teammates and his widow, Connie, gathered Tuesday to unveil the honorary sign designating the street north of Soldier Field as Walter Payton Place.

All participants attending a ceremony marking the change said Payton exemplified a unique combination of grace, talent and dedication as an athlete while bringing smiles and presents to numerous needy children.

"It's all been said," McCaskey said. "Walter, Walter, see how the people of Chicago love you."

Connie Payton pulled on a cord to remove a white cover and reveal the brown street sign bearing her late husband's name.The honorary Payton Place will officially remain McFetridge Drive, named after former Chicago Park District President William McFetridge.

The street isn't longer than a few of Payton's rushing performances strung together. But as many as a million use it each year not only to attend Bears games but also to visit the Field Museum, officials said.

"It's going to be nice to say `Take a left on Payton Place,'" said Tom Thayer, who helped block for Payton on the Super Bowl XX champion Bears.

Daley called Payton "a man for all seasons" and said no one deserves to have a street renamed in his honor more than the NFL's all-time rushing leader.

The street is just one in a series of items named in Payton's memory since his death in November of a rare liver disease.

Others include: the National Football League's Man of the Year Award, which Payton received in 1977; a portion of Hartley Road in Schaumburg, where Walter Payton Inc. formerly was based; an area that formerly contained a 92-foot hill that Payton used to practice on; and the Bears' indoor practice facility at Halas Hall.

Connie Payton said all the honors have left her searching for new ways to say thank you and have helped her and other relatives with the healing process.

"Maybe Walter's up there orchestrating all this," she said with a laugh.

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Staff News from the Biomechanics Laboratory (Zoology- Fishes)

Three new PhDs from Field Museum Biomechanics

Congratulations to Lisa Rosenberger, Brad Wright, and Mike Alfaro for successfully defending their PhD dissertations in the spring and early summer. Three PhD students finishing in 3 months has caused their advisor, Mark Westneat, to be overheard plaintively asking "Can't we spread the joy (and the pain) out a little bit"?

Lisa Rosenberger defended her thesis in May and received her PhD in Organismal Biology and Anatomy from the University of Chicago in June. Lisa's thesis was entitled "The Evolution of Batoid Locomotion". Batoid fishes are the skates, rays, and stingrays. Lisa's work focused on the functional morphology of rays that use the fins in a combination of flapping and oscillating motions for forward

propulsion. She discovered strong correlations between wing shape, locomotor strategy, and ecology in these fascinating fishes. She integrated this work with an analysis of phylogenetic relationships among rays to understand the evolution of locomotor function in batoids. Lisa is continuing on at the Field Museum as a PostDoctoral Research Associate, working on fish locomotion projects associated with the ongoing Office of Naval Research grant to the Biomechanics Lab.

Brad Wright defended his thesis in June and will receive his PhD in Organismal Biology and Anatomy from the University of Chicago in Sept. Brad's thesis was entitled "Aquatic Flapping Propulsion: Form, Function, and Performance in the Triggerfishes". Brad's work was a theoretical and experimental analysis of the mechanisms of locomotion in triggerfishes and filefishes. His survey of diversity in locomotor strategy in this group makes clear the association between anatomy, behavior and hydrodynamics a unique type of swimming, and his theoretical results challenge the assumptions of current hydrodynamic theory of balistiform locomotion. Brad moved on to the University of Vermont where he is a Lecturer in Anatomy and Physiology.

Mike Alfaro defended his thesis in July and will receive his PhD from the Committee on Evolutionary Biology at the University of Chicago in Sept. Mike's thesis was entitled "Systematics and the Evolution of Aquatic Prey Capture in Thamnophiine snakes (Colubridae; Natricinae)." Mike's research focused on the spectacular ability of water snakes to perform an accurate, high velocity strike on their prey, underwater. This is a complex behavior, involving modifications in vision, skull structure, and the function of the backbone. Mike also examined the coordination between the mechanics of skull movement and axial (backbone) mechanics to perform this unusual feeding behavior, and framed his analyses of feeding in the context of a molecular phylogeny for the North American natricine snakes. Mike will continue on at the Museum as a PostDoctoral Research Associate, continuing his work on vertebrate feeding and working on molecular phylogenetics of labrid fishes on a current NSF grant.

Jeff Walker takes faculty position in Maine

Congratulations to Jeff Walker on his new faculty position as Assistant Professor of Biology at the University of Southern Maine, in Portland. Jeff has been a PostDoctoral Research Associate in Zoology in the Biomechanics Lab for nearly 5 years. He began with a year of funding from an NSF grant to M. Westneat, then funded his own salary with an Environmental Biology postdoc from NSF. Recently, he has been funded by grants from the Office of Naval Research, Berkeley Research Associates and the Naval Research Laboratory. Jeff had a major impact on research and training at the Field Museum as he is an authority on morphometrics, statistics, and mathematical modeling in biomechanics. We are already missing him down in Fishes. He and his family are very happy in Portland- Jeff sent the following message: "Life is good here in Maine. I absolutely love going home to my beautiful wife, in my beautiful house, in my beautiful yard and I ask, Well, how did I get here? (you can continue the melody). The kids spend all of their time in the yard and woods. They have been sampling (sometimes oversampling) arthropod diversity - which is quite good." Jeff can be contacted at walker@usm.maine.edu.

Interns go back to school and land new positions

Interns working with Mark Westneat and Biomechanics Lab staff are making transitions this Fall. Erin Loomis has been doing excellent work all spring and summer up in the Pritzker Biochemistry Lab, sequencing mitochondrial DNA of labrid fishes and curating the fish tissue collections. Erin will be attending the University of Chicago this Fall, starting her 3rd year, and we wish her the best of luck in her academic endeavors. Cinnamon Pace and David Collar, both recent graduates of the University of Chicago, have been working all summer with Rick Blob and Lisa Rosenberger in the Biomechanics lab on turtle swimming and fish locomotion research. They are both so good that they have been hired as Research Technicians for the rest of the year. Susan Ruggero, a recent graduate of Northwestern University and a Fishes intern for over a year, will be joining a Conservation Training Program in the Bahamas this Fall.

Flynn and crew return from Madagascar fieldwork

John Flynn and a crew from The Field Museum, the University of California - Santa Barbara, and the University of Antananarivo recently returned from their fifth season of paleontological expeditions to Madagascar. This year's focus was the Middle Jurassic strata (180-159 million years old) of the Isalo "Group" near the town of Ambondromamy in northwest Madagascar. The group collected a total of 71 specimen "lots" (some an individual bone, others a bag of fish, crocodile and dinosaur teeth and bones), approximately 1 ton of concentrated sediment (to be sorted beneath a microscope), and several geologic samples. Most of these will be shipped to The Field Museum for preparation, analysis and preliminary study. Several dinosaur bones, a small bag of representative small animal fossils (fish scales and jaws, crocodile and dinosaur teeth, etc.), and geologic samples were deposited with the University of Antananarivo for use in teaching and research.

The crew of 13 people spent much of their time prospecting for new sites and screen-washing sediment from two previously known sites and several newly discovered localities. This technique entails collecting the sediment with hand tools and then washing it through fine mesh screens in order to concentrate the fossils in a smaller volume of material. The resulting concentrate must then be sorted beneath a microscope by trained specialists -- a very slow and difficult process. Two previously identified sites were worked, as well as several new ones discovered this year. One of the sites (first discovered in 1996) yielded a mammal jaw (recovered by FM volunteers in 1998), theropod dinosaur teeth, and pieces of several other small bones. A paper describing the mammal jaw was published in the prestigious journal *Nature* in 1999.

In addition to the concentrate, a few partial bones of the huge sauropod dinosaur *Bothriospondylus* (arguably better called *Lapparentosaurus*) were collected, as well as bags of isolated dinosaur teeth, crocodile teeth and "armor", fish bones and jaw fragments. Once they are studied and more precisely identified, these fossils will be of considerable scientific importance; not only are they new to Madagascar, they also represent some of the few fossils known from this specific period of time (the Bathonian age, 164-169 million years ago in the Middle Jurassic) anywhere in the world.

The team was joined for a few days by a reporter from *Scientific American* magazine, who will write a "report from the field" to augment an article by Flynn and Andy Wyss (UC - Santa Barbara, and FM Research Associate, Geology) scheduled to be published next year. In addition to paleontology, the crew had some tense moments fighting several large grass fires that swept around the screenwashing site and basecamp.

Jun Wen, a new curator in Botany

Dr. Jun Wen joined the Botany Department in mid August as an Associate Curator. Jun received her doctoral degree at Ohio State University with Tod Stuessy, working on plants of the Ginseng family (Araliaceae). She then undertook postdocs at Harvard University and at the Smithsonian Institution before joining the faculty at Colorado State University as an Assistant Professor of Botany.

She is continuing with the monographic work in the Ginseng family. Because of the wide variety of leaf forms, Jun and a colleague are studying the evolution of leaf architecture in the family. In addition to her publications on that family, Dr. Wen has been interested in the biogeographical relations between eastern Asia and eastern North America, and she plans on expanding this work by focusing on relationships between plants of southern China and southern North America. Before joining Field Museum, Jun was very active at Colorado State University where she established an online searchable collection database which will be expanding into a herbarium database with mapping capability.

Having both an uncle and grandfather who were traditional medicinal doctors in China, and working with ginseng itself, has inspired Jun to begin work in the systematics and conservation of medicinal plants in Asia.

All told, the department is very pleased to have such a dynamic and friendly colleague join us. Jun, her husband and their two boys will live in Oak Park.

Submitted by Bill Burger

Anthropology staff note

Jenny Quijano is the new administrative assistant for the Anthropology Department, Sheila Wheatley's replacement. Jenny can be reached at ext. 7833 or jquijano@fmnh.org.

PING PONG

All HAIL!! John Petreikis is the new Caesar of the Ping-Pong World!!

On Thursday, August 17, 2000 the Northeast Lobby of Stanley Field Hall held the first annual Performing Arts Division INTERNAL PING PONG CHAMPIONSHIPS. Exhibits stole the show, with John Petreikis edging out FPO'S Alexander Bacon in a fiercely fought match.

1st place:	John Petrakis, Exhibits
2nd place:	Alex Bacon, FP&O
3rd place:	David Hanke, Exhibits
Runner up:	Alex Sherman, President's Office

Alexander Bacon will represent The Field Museum in the Festival of Champions on September 23-24, 2000 at Union Station.

Submitted by Bill Ryan

HUMAN RESOURCES

Blood Drive to be held September 21

LifeSource Blood Services will be holding a blood drive on the Museum Campus on Thursday, September 21. We encourage all Museum staff and volunteers to donate blood—it's fairly easy and very, very important!

The LifeSource van will be parked at the Adler Planetarium from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., then will move to the front of the Park District building from 1:30 to 5 p.m. You are welcome to donate in either location. If you need further information, please speak to Bill Haggerty or Heather Friend in the Human Resources office.

AUXILIARY SERVICES

Booking event space in the museum

Space in the Museum for 2001 and 2002 is quickly filling up. Putting your event on the Intranet Museum wide Calendar does not ensure that your event is guaranteed in that room. You must follow Museum procedures by officially requesting the space.

If you have event space needs for a confirmed event (space cannot be held if there is no confirmed event) for the remainder of 2000 or into 2001 and 2002, please fill out the Field Museum Room or Exhibit Reservation Form (available on the Intranet) as soon as possible. Requests should be submitted to Alan Smetana, Manager, Special Events and Meetings, regardless of what room location you are requesting.

Submitted by Harriet Resnick

Corner Bakery changes announced

Thanks to all of you who have been supportive and patient with our restaurants this summer. We know that the overwhelming increase in Museum attendance has affected your dining options, and we recognize the importance of accommodating your needs going forward.

The Museum has hired a consultant to analyze the current food service operations and capacities. We hope to receive the recommendations of this study in September.

In an effort to accommodate immediate issues, Corner Bakery will be executing the following changes, beginning Tuesday, September 5:

- Reduce the number of items currently offered on the menu, which should increase the line speed.
- Recognize the need to accommodate the frequent visitor, such as yourselves, by changing out certain items every two or three weeks. These items will include soups, salads, focaccia and sandwiches.
- You will now be able to "pre-order" your lunch and the Corner Bakery staff will select and bag your order and it will be ready to pick up in just 15 minutes. Orders will be taken from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. daily. Just call 588-1040. (We are in the process of installing an internal Museum line, which will make ordering easier in the future). PLEASE NOTE: This new service DOES NOT INCLUDE house accounts or catering orders.
- Adding two "grab and go" cold cases at the entrance of the restaurant in the future.

As a reminder to all:

- Please be considerate of our Museum visitors. Although we encourage you to grab a sandwich or salad from the cold cases and go directly to checkout, please refrain from stepping into the line ahead of other visitors and ordering from the hot section.
- Please do not assume that since you work or volunteer at the Museum that you can pour a soda or coffee without paying for it! Also, paying for a beverage in the morning does not allow free refills all day. Refills are offered at discounted prices. You can also bring in your own mug and you will receive a discount on your beverage.

Your comments and suggestions are always welcome. Thanks for your continued support!

Laura Sadler, Director of Auxiliary Services
Vicki Halit, General Manager, Corner Bakery Field Museum

ENVIRONMENTAL & CONSERVATION PROGRAMS

Say a big "*case'te!*" to Roberto!

You may have noticed a quiet, very serious young man around the third floor lately. No, we're not talking about Mark Alvey here- it's Roberto Aguinda, a member of Ecuador's Cofan indigenous group who is working with the botany collection until the end of September.

Roberto arrived on July 27 and has been identifying and providing Cofan names for plant specimens that may be used in Robin Foster's field guides. Roberto is chief of the Cofan Community at Zabalo, the site of the successful turtle recovery and conservation program supported by Environmental and Conservation Programs, and he also heads up the community's cultural museum and management of their nature reserve. In addition to his botanical work here, Roberto is also translating educational materials into Cofan, and he'll be talking with CCUC's Alaka Wali about the possiblity of including Cofan cultural material in the Field Museum collection.

For fun, Roberto has discovered shopping on Maxwell Street, spent a weekend (and attended a pig roast) on a farm at Mt. Carroll, Illinois, and then put in a little time in a fishing boat on the Mississippi. Next week, he's going to visit the Menominee conservation reserve in Northern Wisconsin, where he'll be talking with managers of the tribal wildlife and forestry programs.

By the way, *case'te* (kah-sah-tay) means "buenos dias" in the Cofan language.

Also newly arrived from Ecuador and doing botanical work is Hugo Mogollon of the QCA herbarium in Quito, who's been working in the Yasuni Forest Dynamics Project. You'll just need to say "buenos dias" to Hugo, as speaking Cofan won't work with him

Roberto Aguinda in his natural habitat, ripping down the Aguarico River in a fishing boat.

Teaching Opportunity

To: Field Museum Research Staff interested in Education
From: Terry Horton and Brad Sageman, Northwestern University

Once again the SERTS (Science and Engineering Research and Teaching Synthesis) program at Northwestern University <http://www.northwestern.edu/serts/> will be offering the course "Uniformity, Catastrophe and the Meaning of Evolution." Last year many of the students in this course participated in tutorials offered by staff at The Field Museum. The students loved it. We would like to offer tutorials at the Field again this year. If you are interested in serving as a tutor or would like more information about the project, please contact Terry Horton (thorton@nwu.edu, phone: 847-467-1686) or Brad Sageman (brad@earth.nwu.edu, phone: 847-467-2257).

Who can serve as a tutor? Anyone who is actively engaged on research related to evolution. This includes graduate students, postdoctoral fellows, advanced undergraduates, volunteers who may be involved in research, collection managers, and curators. We (Brad and Terry) will organize meetings with potential tutors to discuss your research topics and how they can be integrated into the course material. Brad is very willing to modify the syllabus for the course to make sure the students come to the tutorials prepared to understand the material you will present.

What do tutors do? Teach the students about what you do and why it is important.

How do you do it? Tutors will work with 1 or 2 groups (your choice) of students (3-4 per group).

What do you get out of it? Teaching experience in a very focused and relatively easy venue. Tutors will be paid $22/hour for 8 contact hours per group and 2 hours of grading/prep time per group (i.e., $220 for each group of students).

When would this happen? The course will be taught in Fall quarter 2000 (late September through early December). Tutorials begin in late October (1999) and must be completed before Thanksgiving (last week of November). Ideally, tutors will set up a schedule consisting of 3 or 4 sessions of 2 to 3 hours per session. Students will be assigned to the tutorials based on compatibility of schedules.

Where would the tutorials occur? Tutorials will take place in your laboratory or research area. Students will be transported from Evanston to the Field Museum so that all tutorials can take place at the Museum.

EXHIBITS

Americanos Apologies

I neglected to include two key Exhibits Department staff members in the Americanos exhibit opening notice—Rudy Garcia and Matt Metzger, who helped install the exhibition here and at Mexican Fine Arts Center Museum. The show looks great at both museums, and many thanks are due to the production staff.

Submitted by **Ariel Orlov**

PROTECTION SERVICES

Best wishes, Chirkina!

We wish to extend a fond farewell and thank-you to Protection Services Officer **Chirkina Chirkina.** After 20 years of dedicated service to The Field Museum, Chirkina has decided to retire on September 15, 2000. Everyone is welcome to wish him a happy farewell on September 15 from noon to 3 p.m. in Classroom A.

Submitted by **Miriam Alleyne**

THE FIELD MUSEUM
BLOOD DRIVE
Thursday, September 21, 2000
1:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
ON THE LIFESOURCE MOBILE VAN

For an appointment or more information, please contact Heather Friend @ (312) 665-7275.

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SEPTEMBER SOLDIER FIELD PARKING UPDATES

- **CHICAGO FIRE SOCCER GAMES-** By visiting http://intranet1:100/parking you will find the posted soccer game dates or you can visit http://intranet1/departments/public_services/default.html
- **MCCORMICK PLACE EVENTS**- There are no significant staff and visitor parking concerns for the following conferences that will take place in September:
  - Manufacturing Technology Show- September 6-14 Expected Attendance 125,000
  - Graph Expo & Converting Expo- September 24-27 Expected Attendance 45,000
  - Ahima National Convention- September 25-27 Expected Attendance 5,400
  - Personal Communications Association- September 27-29 Expected Attendance 9,960
- **GRANT PARK EVENTS – Expect street closures and traffic congestions** for the following events that will take place in September:
  - Chicago Jazz Festival- August 31- September 3
  - Celtic Fest Chicago- set-up 14 –15 event September 16-17
- **FIELD MUSEUM EVENTS-** By visiting http://intranet1:100/fmevents, you will find the posted events being held at the Field Museum. Parking information for some of these events is posted in the Soldier Field Parking Calendar.
- **SOLDIER FIELD PARKING CALENDAR**- The calendar at http://intranet1:100/parking gives you important information about parking changes during events in or near the Museum Campus area.
- Bears Game on September 17, 24, will require staff to park at the Adler lots. Parking Fee is $15.
- Chicago Classic on September 2- staff to park at the Adler lot. Monthly passes will be accepted. Event rate will go into effect by 1pm.
- **Navy Pier**- There are no significant staff and visitor parking concerns for the following conferences that will take place in September:
  - Tall Ships- August 31-September 6
  - Iron & Steel Engineers Conference- September 11-13 Expected Attendance 2,000
  - Emergency Nurses Association Conference- September 21-24 Expected Attendance 8,000
  - Great Lakes Cable Expo- September 28-30 Expected Attendance 2,500
- **Parades**-
  - Von Steuben German Day Parade- Sept. 9
  - Mexican Indep. Day Parade- Sept.9

If you have any questions regarding parking, please call the Public Services Office at extension 7911.

A resolution

adopted by The City Council of the City of Chicago, Illinois

Presented by MAYOR RICHARD M. DALEY *on* AUGUST 30, 2000

Whereas, On the early evening of July 18, 2000, Chicago Fire Department Engine 19, Truck 11, Squad 1, Ambulance 4, and Battalion 2 were dispatched to a reported suicide attempt at 3800 South Langley Avenue; and

WHEREAS, Arriving fire companies saw that a young man, despondent and emotionally distraught, had climbed nearly to the top of a 100-foot construction crane and was threatening to jump; and

WHEREAS, Second Battalion Chief Raymond Bresnahan made several attempts to reason with the man, then ordered Squad 1 to inflate an air bag under the man and directed Truck 11 to raise its main ladder into the air to the height of the man; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Ronald Hall of Engine 19 volunteered to climb the ladder and talk to the man, and he managed to temporarily calm the man and convince him to climb down, but at approximately forty feet above the ground the man stopped, became very agitated and again threatened to jump; and

WHEREAS, At this time Deputy District Chief Thomas Casey (1st District) and his aide, Firefighter Paul Richard, arrived on the scene. Firefighter Richard, taking the initiative, promptly climbed the crane to the man; and

WHEREAS, Firefighter Richard engaged the man in conversation, telling him how he too had been born and raised in the Ida B. Wells Housing Development, and he knew firsthand the challenges and disappointments that faced the man. Then Firefighter Richard, holding up as a positive example his own career as a firefighter, challenged the man to turn his life around, secure a career, establish his own family and become a productive member of his community; and

WHEREAS, Firefighter Richard's remarks so touched the man's heart that he agreed to descend safely to the ground; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Hall and Firefighter Richard displayed courage, initiative, and compassion in performing exceptional acts beyond the call of duty, in aiding an extremely emotional person by convincing him not to go through with a fatal decision; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the Mayor and members of the City Council of the City of Chicago, assembled this 30th day of August, 2000, do hereby honor Lieutenant Ronald Hall and Firefighter Paul Richard for their outstanding acts of bravery and heroism; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to Lieutenant Ronald Hall and Firefighter Paul Richard as a token of our respect and esteem; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be added to the personnel files of Lieutenant Hall and Firefighter Richard.

MAYOR

CITY CLERK

CRASH COURSE IN POWERPOINT

Wednesday, 13 September

OR

Thursday, 14 September

NOON - 1 p.m. Lecture Hall 2

Taught by Alexander Sherman

Cheat Sheets will be available

The Field Museum Presents

Voices from the Field Keynote Lecture Series

An Evening with

Stephen Jay Gould

"Scientist of the Year"
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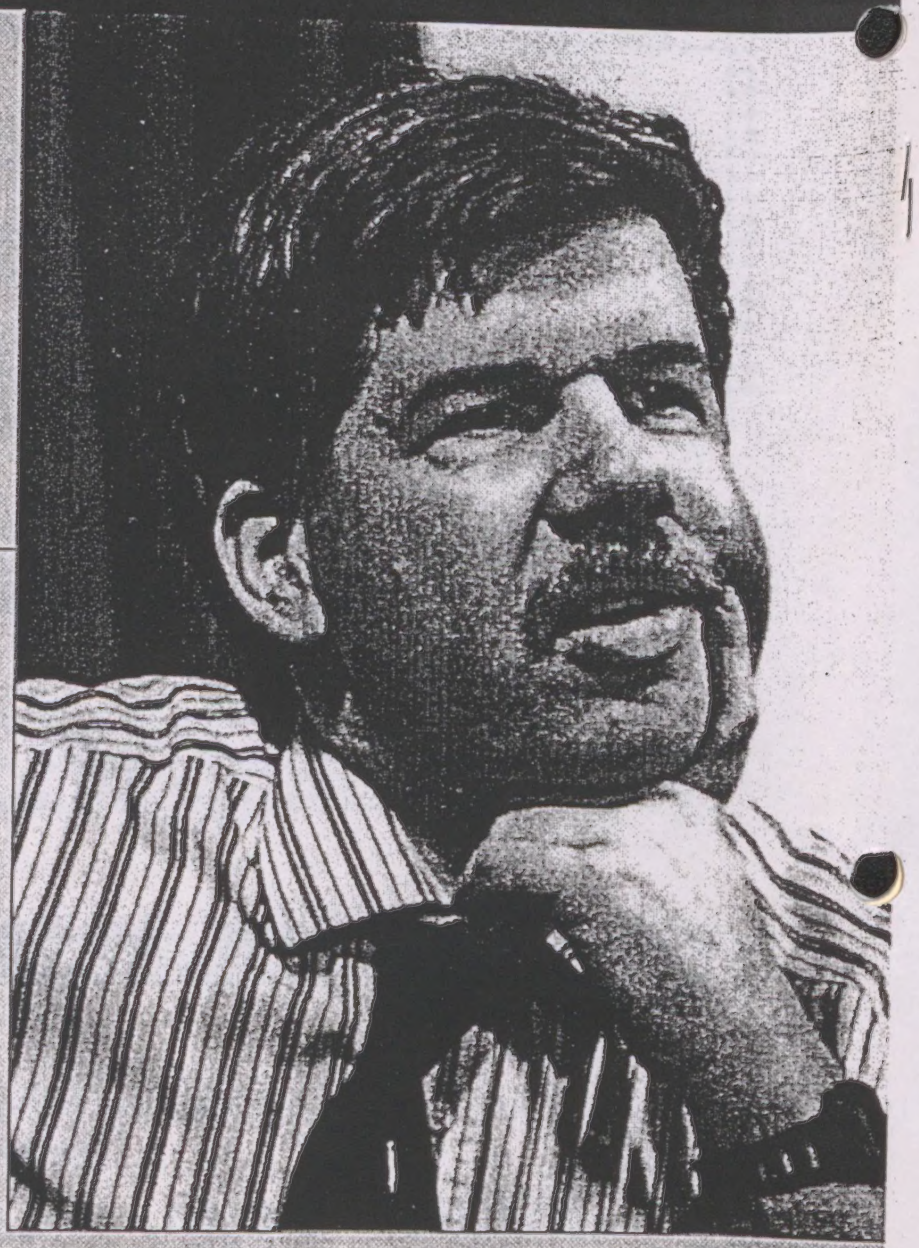

Acclaimed for his literate and accessible interpretations of the social consequences of science, Gould is an engaging lecturer on paleontology, evolution, and science education. A brilliant evolutionary biologist, Gould is committed to making serious scientific topics understandable. As a scientist, Gould is actively involved in debates of the biological and geological sciences, particularly those involving evolution and the meaning of diversity and change in biology. As a writer, he has authored more than 20 books, becoming one of the most popular and well-known scientists in America. As an interpreter of crucial scientific issues, he has taken a stand on scientific, cultural and political controversies, including scientific arguments for racial equality and the fallacy of a single quantitative measure of human intelligence. His impressive credentials include Professor of Zoology and Professor of Geology at Harvard, Curator of Invertebrate Paleontology in the Harvard museum of Comparative Zoology, and the chair of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

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